

***PUBLIC NOTICE
OF PROPOSED ACTION***

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes

The Administrator has received a complete application for a water pollution control discharge permit No. NEV2001504 from the following applicant:

**U.S. Army, Hawthorne Army Depot
1 South Maine Street - Building 5
Hawthorne, Nevada 89415-9662**

The applicant is operating a bioremediation facility at the Hawthorne Army Depot for microbial treatment of petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated soils under Temporary Permit No. TNEV2001328. The permittee has applied for a permanent discharge permit with a zero discharge standard of performance for this treatment facility. The treatment process utilizes land farming techniques combined with soil microbes and moisture to treat the subject soils on a bermed concrete pad. The permit is for a five (5) year period.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, by July 30, 2001, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, either in person or by mail to:

**Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
333 West Nye Lane
Carson City, Nevada 89706-0851**

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time. The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling Icyl C. Mulligan, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-4670 ext. 3139.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.